

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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For: ELECTRONIC CONTROL AND/OR POWER-SUPPLY SYSTEM FOR A BICYCLE,
FIXABLE IN THE SAME ANCHORING POINT AS THE BOTTLE-CAGE
SUPPORTING UNIT

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title, delete the heading "TEXT OF DESCRIPTION" and insert the
heading

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

after line 22 (according to the line numbering), insert the heading

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 3, after line 11, insert the heading

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 4, after line 4, insert the heading

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

4. (Amended) The containment unit according to Claim 1, wherein said bottle-cage support includes a supporting plate which can be fixed to a tube of the bicycle frame, and in that to said bottle-cage support there are associated auxiliary supporting means designed to be set between said supporting plate and the bicycle frame, and in that the container for the electronic control unit is rigidly connected to the bottom end of said auxiliary supporting means and projects in cantilever fashion therefrom beneath the space designed to receive the bottle.

8. (Amended) The containment unit according to Claim 1, wherein said container for said electronic control unit has a flattened body set between the bottle-cage support and the frame of the bicycle.

11. (Amended) A bottle-cage supporting unit for bicycles, characterized in that it includes a containment unit 25 according to claim 1.

12. (Amended) A bicycle, characterized in that it comprises a containment unit according to claim 1.

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please delete the present Abstract of the Disclosure and replace it with the following new Abstract of the Disclosure.

ABSTRACT

A bottle-cage supporting unit for a bicycle includes a cage support for the bottle, associated to which are a container for an electronic control unit for a motor-5 driven gear-shifting system with which the bicycle is equipped and a container for the electric power-supply battery for the electronic control unit.

REMARKS

The above claims have been amended to delete the multiple dependencies therein. Entry and consideration of this Amendment are respectfully requested and an early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPENDIX

VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification is changed as follows:

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims are amended as follows:

4. (Amended) The containment unit according to Claim 1 ~~or Claim 2~~, wherein said bottle-cage support includes a supporting plate which can be fixed to a tube of the bicycle frame, and in that to said bottle-cage support there are associated auxiliary supporting means designed to be set between said supporting plate and the bicycle frame, and in that the container for the electronic control unit is rigidly connected to the bottom end of said auxiliary supporting

means and projects in cantilever fashion therefrom beneath the space designed to receive the bottle.

8. (Amended) The containment unit according to Claim 1 ~~or Claim 2~~, wherein said container for said electronic control unit has a flattened body set between the bottle-cage support and the frame of the bicycle.

11. (Amended) A bottle-cage supporting unit for bicycles, characterized in that it includes a containment unit 25 according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1.

12. (Amended) A bicycle, characterized in that it comprises a containment unit according to ~~any one of the preceding claims~~ claim 1.

IN THE ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE:

The abstract is changed as follows:

ABSTRACT

A bottle-cage supporting unit for a bicycle includes a cage support for the bottle, associated to which are a container for an electronic control unit for a motor-5 driven gear-shifting system with which the bicycle is equipped and a container for the electric power-supply battery for the electronic control unit.

(Figure 2)